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Dr. Jordan responds to article about Gallaudet in *People* magazine

By now, many of you have had the opportunity to read the story about Gallaudet in *People* magazine. The article does not begin to present the comprehensive programs and services currently available to men and women who become involved in sexual assault and harassment issues. Because these are important issues to all of us, I want to briefly review those programs here in order to assist you in responding to questions and inquiries.

Paraprofessional students who work in the residence halls receive extensive training designed to help them identify and deal with these topics conducted by the D.C. Rape Crisis Center, the University Counseling Center, and by psychologists, counselors, and educators who have specialized training in dealing with human sexuality and sexual misconduct, as well as sexual abuse. Training topics include such areas as working with victims, training in policy and procedures, identifying problems, and referring students to appropriate helping professionals and agencies, as well as areas such as healthy human sexuality, safe sex, AIDS, sexual harassment, understanding date rape, assault prevention, and assertiveness

New Student Orientation includes similar training for all incoming students, and the residence halls use posters and other materials to advise students of their rights and what to do if they are harassed or assaulted. All of these activities are designed to educate students about their rights, the laws, what to do if they experience sexual harassment or assault, and to let them know that Gallaudet takes sexual misconduct very seriously.

All of our Department of Safety and Security (DOSS) employees receive training when they come on the job, which covers sexual assault and other sexual misconduct issues. Officers also get in-service training by the Academy of Special Police Training on a periodic basis. Gallaudet supplements that as well. For example, this summer the officers will meet with psychologists on the University Counseling Center staff for additional training in sensitivity and working with victims. Additionally, in the daily 30-minute briefings, officers are told about specific incidents which may have occurred the day or evening before to ensure that students coming in to make complaints or reports are handled in a humane and sensitive manner, and understand their options. As a matter of policy, female officers work with female victims. It is important to remember that the D.C. police sex squad is always the primary investigative body. Gallaudet officers assist them in their investigations.

If DOSS is informed of a sexual assault, they will always call in the D.C. police. At that time, the woman can decide whether or not she wants to file formal charges and is assisted in learning about her options and resources available to assist her in any way. If the woman reports or complains to a counselor or psychologist and does not want DOSS informed, the helping professional cannot ethically talk about the incident to anyone, and DOSS is not informed. That is the woman's right and option.

Alternatively, the woman may choose to file a complaint with the Judicial Board, which handles only student-against-student cases. The board consists of students, a faculty/staff member, a non-voting hearing coordinator, and a non-voting judicial coordinator. The board will then conduct a hearing and deliberate upon the complaint. There are a wide range of sanctions the board may impose if the defendant in a case is found to be guilty, ranging from educational to expulsion from the University.

Complaints against a faculty or staff member are referred to the University's Equal Employment Opportunity office, which has similar hearings and procedures.

In addition to our sexual assault and harassment training, Gallaudet also has comprehensive alcohol education programs. Paraprofessional training, NSO training, and events and activities throughout the year cover alcohol-related topics. No underage student is allowed to purchase or possess alcohol on this campus, and even in private dormitory rooms underage students are not permitted to be present if alcohol is being consumed. A student who violates the alcohol policy is required to attend disciplinary activities.

All student organizations must have members trained in the alcohol policy and procedures. No student organization is issued an alcohol permit for student parties unless trained workers are present, and all students are carded when they purchase alcohol on campus. No one can purchase more than one drink at a time. No hard liquor is served at any University function. I will be sending full documentation on programs and policies related to these areas to the campus community in the next few weeks.

I am, however, still concerned about the perceptions raised by the People magazine article. If even one student at Gallaudet does not feel fully continued on page 2



Jubilant MSSD graduates applaud at their June 4 commencement exercises, where former MSSD principal Mervin Garretson urged them to become active in the deaf community.

MSSD's Class of 1994 graduates

Dr. Mervin Garretson, former principal of the Model Secondary School for the Deaf, deaf community leader, and the speaker at MSSD's June 4 commencement exercises, encouraged this year's 68 graduating seniors to become active in the deaf community on an international scale.

This year marked MSSD's 24th graduating class and the school's 25th anniversary.

Garretson, observing that he has traveled extensively through his active role in the World Federation of the Deaf for more than 20 years, said that his experiences have been interesting but at times disturbing. "In many countries deaf people are still not permitted to drive," he said. "In some countries deaf people are not allowed to marry each other, not even allowed to go to school."

He encouraged students to become active in the National Association of the Deaf, which cooperates with the WFD to help deaf people in other countries who don't have rights or civil liberties. Garretson stressed the importance of three traits: the ability to recognize the value of leadership, a sense of humor, and pride—pride in individuals' identities as human beings and as deaf people.

"You all have it within you to become both leaders and followers at different times during your life," Garretson told the graduates. "Learn to know this difference. I cannot say enough for laughter. Learn to laugh. To laugh at yourself and with others. . . . Be proud of the deaf person that you are. I am not suggesting that we be proud of our deafness . . . but we are certainly proud of what deaf people can do and have done over the years."

Class valedictorian Barbara Hussey and class salutatorian Leslie Moreira also addressed the graduating class.

Hussey said she came to MSSD

from a high school with 40 people she had known almost all her life. When she arrived, "I was lost and passive," she said. But she learned about herself and others, and said that she leaves MSSD with confidence.

Moreira shared his experience arriving at MSSD as a freshman from Honduras, Central America, with no skills in English. He improved his English through hard work, and he made the gold honor roll five times during his junior and senior years.

Students with high grade point averages were recognized during the ceremony. Four Gold Eagles—Hussey, Moreira, Margie English, and Naomi Sheneman—earned a GPA of 3.75 or above, and 12 Silver Eagles earned a GPA between 3.25 and 3.75.

The Peter B. Hobbs Memorial Award for school spirit and academic work was given to Rochelle Langford.

Many MSSD seniors decorated their mortarboards with artistic collages. One student turned his mortarboard into a landing field for two model planes, and another turned his into a launching pad, complete with a space shuttle model.

Repairs close Field House lot

The entire Field House parking garage and temporary lot will be closed for repairs starting Monday, June 20, 1994. The repairs will take approximately seven weeks, according the the Department of Safety and Security (DOSS).

Additional parking is available at KDES, MSSD, and the Transportation lot at the 6th Street entrance to the campus.

DOSS regrets the inconvenience and thanks members of the campus community for their cooperation.



KDES graduates sign "America the Beautiful" at their June 10 recognition ceremony.

Program recognizes KDES graduates

Eight impeccably dressed Kendall Demonstration Elementary School students marched across the stage of the Model Secondary School for the Deaf auditorium in a June 10 recognition ceremony held to celebrate their successful completion of the KDES program.

"This is an important day for you," Principal Nancy Shook told the graduates, "but it's also important for all of us. We saw you grow up. Now you're

Honorary degree nominees sought

The University's Honorary Degree Committee is accepting until July 1 nominations for individuals to be considered for honorary degree awards. The awards will be presented at the 1995 commencement exercises.

Honorary degrees are awarded to individuals—deaf or hearing—who have distinguished themselves through scholarship, public service, and/or outstanding achievement, traditionally in the area of deafness, although awards are not restricted to this area.

Nominations may be submitted to Dr. David Martin, Honorary Degree Committee chair, Fowler Hall, Room 214. A vita, resume, and other supporting documentation should accompany the nomination.



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ready to move on." Six of the graduates will enter MSSD this fall.

Erica Hall, who attended KDES, MSSD, and Gallaudet University, where she graduated this year with a major in early childhood education, delivered the graduation address.

Hall said that the phrase 'roots and wings,' from the school's motto, 'has a special meaning. Here at Kendall School, many of us developed and established our roots. Many of us started here at an early age. Some of us came from other schools, and yet, there are roots. A sense of belonging has developed in each of us. And all that time, we learned so many things—things that would help us fly, to be free and independent."

The Kendall Cup, the school's top award, went to Victor Contreras and Kolade Kalejaiye. Carrie Waldman received the Special Opportunities Program Kendall Cup. The cups are given each year to a student or students who excel in leadership potential, attitude, effort, and cooperation and helpfulness with adults and peers.

The Elizabeth Jackson Award went to Shakiema Jenkins. The award, named in memory of the woman who died in 1990 after 19 years of service to KDES, most of them as dining room supervisor, is presented each year to a student who best displays a positive attitude, motivation, and cooperation. The Malcolm Norwood Leadership Award went to Contreras for leadership in the deaf community. The Linwood Smith Award went to Kalejaiye for accomplishment in creative writing. Smith, a black deaf leader, died in 1982. Kendall Home and School Organization awards went to Gisela Arzabe and Lavon Oliver. Arzabe and Oliver also were recognized for good citizenship.

President Jordan issues statement

supported in dealing v h sexual assault or harassman, nat is one too many. I am setting up an ad hoc committee to review the climate on campus in the area of sexual assault and harassment. The committee will be chaired by Dr. Peg Hall, vice president for Institutional Advancement. Members of the committee will be Dr. Bette Martin, special assistant to the president for Institutional Affairs, Dr. Roslyn Rosen, vice president for Academic Affairs, and Sue Ellis, director of Congressional Relations.

—I. King Jordan

D.E.A.F. lecture series underway

The annual Deaf Enrichment and Arts Festival (D.E.A.F.), a series of lectures on important issues affecting the deaf community, began June 14 and continue to July 26 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-5 p.m. in Ely Auditorium.

The lectures, which are free and open to the public, are sponsored by Continuing Education and Outreach, a unit of the College for Continuing Education. All presenters are deaf, deaf-blind, or hard of hearing professionals.

The schedule of topics and speakers follow.

- June 21: "ASL Teachers Association," Agnes Sutcliffe, sign language trainer, Department of Sign Communication and president of the ASL Teachers Association
 June 23: "Late Deafness," Carol
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 June 28: "ASL Registers: Is It ASL or
 English?", Dr. Susan Mather, research
 scientist, Gallaudet Research Institute
- June 30: "Captioning and the Deaf

Community," Toby Silver, coordinator of distance education, Continuing Education and Research, College for Continuing Education

- tinuing Education
 July 7: "Black and Deaf in
 America—An Update," Dr. Ernest Hairston, chief, Captioning and Adaptation
- Branch, U.S. Department of Education
 July 12: "Worldwide Sports Competition in the Deaf Community," Jerald Jordan, first American president of the International Committee of Sports of the Deaf and a 1994 honorary doctor of laws degree recipient from Gallaudet
- degree recipient from Gallaudet
 July 14: "Adoption as an Option in the Deaf Community," Barbara White, associate professor, Department of Social Work
- **July 19**: "Deaf-Blind Culture?", Arthur Roehrig, coordinator, Deaf-Blind Programs, National Academy
- July 21: "Empowerment and Deaf Women," Margaret Bibum, deputy director, Deafpride, Inc.
- July 26: "Americans with Disabilities Act: Where Are We Now?", Andrew Firth, staff attorney, National Center for Law and Deafness

Classified Ads

Classified ads are printed for Gallaudet faculty and staff. Written ads must be submitted in person or by mail to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-37. Payment of \$1 per ad per printing must accompany each ad. The deadline for submitting ads is Friday, 10 days before the desired publication. Because of the Independence Day holiday, *On the Green* will not be printed July 4. Ads received June 20 to July 1 will be printed July 11.

WANTED: Deaf babysitter fluent in ASL for motivated hearing family of four (children ages 9 and 2½) in Hyattsville, Md., for several hrs./day; flexible, but prefer services in exchange for room, board; 20 min. from campus. Call Jackie Laldee, (301) 386-4769 (V/TTY) Mon.-Fri.

FOR RENT: Ocean City timeshare town-house on bay at 32nd St., sleeps 6, avail. June 24-July 1, \$600. E-mail JTMCMILLAN or call x5413.

FOR RENT: Hilton Head timeshare condo on Inner Harbor, free golf package, sleeps 6, avail. July 29-Aug. 5, \$1,000. E-mail JTMCMILLAN or call x5413.

WANTED: Host family for hard of hearing MSSD student, age 17, participant in International Student Exchange. Call Susan Lampazzi, (703) 866-0841 (V).

FOR SALE: Full-size futon (new), \$200; weightlifting equipment, \$100; small dining table w/two chairs \$100; full-size mattress w/frame (new) \$200; small microwave \$50; prices nego. Call (202) 543-4031 (TTY).

FOR RENT: 1 BR in 2-BR apt., Seabrook, Md., \$350/mo. inc. util. E-mail EMROBINSHAL or call (301) 595-8843 (TTY) after 6:30 p.m.

FOR SALE: Boogieboard, \$15; tennis racket, \$15; Peugeot racing bike, \$80; 2 radios, \$15 and \$10; whitewashed oak computer desk, \$150. E-mail EMROBBINSHAL or call (301) 595-8843 (TTY) after 6:30 p.m.

FOR RENT: BR w/priv. bath, walk-in closet, storage, kitchen and W/D privileges, parking, Greenbelt, Md. area, \$350/mo. plus 1/3 util. Call (301) 552-2132 (TTY).

FOR SALE: Matching love seat and lounge chair, exc. cond., \$150; Kitchen Aid mixer, exc. cond., \$125; baby stroller, exc. cond., \$40. Call Dave, x5733 or (301) 694-4754 (TTY) eves., or E-mail DAFRANK.

FOR RENT: 2-BR apt. one block from Gallaudet, special rate for Gallaudet staff or student. Call Boris (301) 773-1710 (V/TTY) eves. or (301) 731-5578 (V) days.

FOR SALE: Montgomery Ward air conditioner unit, 9000 BTU, enough for 2-3 rooms, \$150/BO. E-mail NEKENSICKI or call (301) 464-9219 (TTY).

FOR SALE: Renken 18-ft. runabout/bow rider w/trailer, 218 HP inboard/outboard motor, great for fishing and skiing, list \$4,800, will sell for \$3,500. Call Steve, x5376 mornings, or E-mail SGDOLEAC.

FOR SALE: TeleCaption 3000 decoder w/remote, \$65; Beta VCR w/remote \$45; TV/stereo entertainment center, \$65. E-mail JCAKRIDGE or call James x5406, x5407, or (202) 675-8973 (V/TTY) eves.

FOR SALE: 1-BR condo w/pantry, huge walk-in closet, W/D, Rockville, Md., near Grosvenor and White Flint Metros, mortgage of \$400-\$480/mo., low condo fee, owner flexible, no time limit. Call (301) 770-1562 (V).

WANTED: 2-BR house to rent, wife-husband, 2 small dogs, unfurn., 10- to 20-min. drive from Kendall Green. Call John and Winnie Tunison, (908) 920-7785 (TTY).

FOR RENT: Ocean City condo near beach, between two major shopping centers, sleeps 6, TV/decoder, VCR, TTY, microwave avail., rent Sun.-Sun. E-mail RESUTCLIFFE.

FOR RENT: Room with own BA in Silver Spring, Md., condo, pool, spa, share meals optional, \$300/mo. plus ½ elec., avail. end of June. Call Linda (301) 890-2435 (TTY).

AVAILABLE: ASL tutoring, eves., for fee. Call (301) 212-9156 (TTY) eves.

WANTED: 1 or 2 roommates starting July or Aug., must love dogs, house in country near Amissville, Va., 1 hr. 15 min. from D.C., near Rappahanock River, commuter pools avail. Call Susan Slatry (703) 937-3525 (TTY) or (703) 937-4387 (V).

WANTED: Roommate for Silver Spring (Layhill/Aspen Hill) home; nonsmoker, grad. student or professional preferred; own room in 3-BR, 2-BA condo; W/D; \$350 plus ½ util. Call Gail (301) 598-0405 (TTY).

FOR RENT: Spacious mobile home in Fenwick Island, Del., near Ocean City, sleeps 6, 2 BA, AC, W/D, full kitchen, swimming pool access, \$65 per night for 1-2 nights, \$60 for 3 nights, \$55 for 4 nights, \$50 for 5 or more nights. Call Dwight x5255, or E-mail ADBENEDICT.

Job Openings

SIGN LANGUAGE TRAINER: Sign Communication

RESOURCE SPECIALIST, HISPANIC/LATINO: MSSD PROGRAM SUPERVISOR, INTERMEDIATE

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